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Commissioner for Patents  
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Conf. No.: 8452  
Art Unit: 1631  
Examiner: R.S. Negin

Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/404,520 filed September 23, 1999  
Inventors: Yongwei CAO *et al.*  
Title: Emericella Nidulans Genome Sequence on Computer  
Readable Medium and Uses Thereof  
Atty. Dkt: 16517.081

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) are the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (1 month);
2. Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences; and
3. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

Authorization is hereby given to charge \$620.00 (\$500 for filing a Notice of Appeal, and \$120 for a one-month extension of time) to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing docket number 16517.081. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees are required in the

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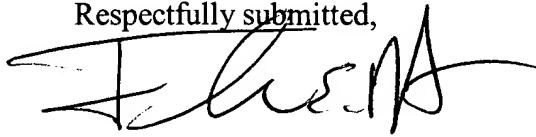
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present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing docket number 16517.081. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Holsten', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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Enclosures